

WAITING TO SEE CARLISLE.

THE SITUATION IN WALL STREET.

A PROBABLE CONFERENCE WITH THE BANK PRESIDENTS—CONDITION OF FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

The situation in Wall Street yesterday was quiet, notwithstanding the disappointment felt at Secretary Carlisle's declaration of the suspension of the New-York bank's operations. The Treasury's gold supply, the expected arrival of the Secretary of the Treasury in this city, and the certainty of a conference with New-York bank presidents and private bankers, tended to sustain hopes that negotiations for a bond issue would be concluded successfully in time. Another reassuring element was the condition of the foreign exchange.

The market showed few weaknesses, and posted rates for sterling were reduced to \$4.80 for sixty-day bills and \$4.88 1/2 for short or three-day bills. This is a decline of 2 cents to the sterling from the extreme high rates of last week. The weakness of the foreign exchange is explained on several grounds. The supply is thought to have been increased by loan bills, to be covered later. But the reason commonly accepted is that the foreign demand for gold was so urgent under the "scare" which was raised by the question concerning the redemption of the Treasury notes of 1890 that large amounts of the precious metal were shipped prior to the marketing of the bankers' drafts. These bills came upon the market later and at a time when the general outlook was brightened, so that depression was inevitable. At any rate, the condition of the foreign exchange precludes the probability of further exchange week. No arrangements have been made for shipments on Saturday, and bankers are confident that no gold will go out. When the foreign exchange market resumes a normal tone, and bills may be sold without a sacrifice, it is generally expected that the outward movement of the yellow metal will be resumed on account of the adverse balance of trade.

Assistant-Treasurer Conrad N. Jordan received in his mail yesterday morning the letter from Secretary Carlisle which had been promised by telegraph the evening before. Mr. Jordan made known its contents to the leading downtown bankers, but declined to make any statement for publication. It is understood, however, that Mr. Carlisle informed his subordinate officer that his suggestions and terms of the banks were not acceptable to the Administration. The Secretary announced his intention of coming to New-York, saying that he would arrive at 10 o'clock in the evening, and expressed his willingness to meet the bankers of the city and discuss the situation with them.

Acting under his authority, Mr. Jordan extended invitations to confer with the Secretary to Presidents E. H. Perkins, Jr., of the Importers and Traders' National Bank and chairman of the Clearing House Committee; George G. Williams, of the Chemical, who is chairman of the Clearing House Association; J. Edward Simmons, of the Fourth National; George F. Baker, of the First National; Henry W. Cannon, of the Chase; W. A. Nash, of the Corn Exchange; Frederick D. Tappan, of the Gallatin; J. T. Woodruff, of the Hanover; Clayton Ives, of the Western National; George S. Cox, of the American Exchange National Bank, and others. It was considered doubtful yesterday whether a meeting could be conveniently arranged for today, on account of the time that will be taken up by Mr. Carlisle's participation in the Columbian observances, and the conference may not take place until tomorrow at 11 a. m. at the Sub-Treasury.

The New-York bankers yesterday expressed their disbelief in the reports that Secretary Carlisle had expressed vexation at the course of the New-York banks. They declared that in all their communications with the Secretary through Mr. Jordan there had been the utmost courtesy on both sides. The bankers are gratified at the prospect of personal communication with Mr. Carlisle. They say that the situation is a too difficult one to be dealt with successfully at long range. The greatest obstacle is the ignorance of the New-York bankers as to what Secretary Carlisle desires to do. If he will outline a policy the banks will assist him to the utmost, if the scheme is at all practicable. They are anxious to help the solution of the problems, and will meet the Secretary in the most cordial and helpful spirit.

The arrival of Secretary of the Treasury Carlisle had been awaited among bankers with more interest than attached to the visit of the President and the other Cabinet officers, because of the reports that a conference could be arranged on the financial situation with Mr. Carlisle. Contrary to general expectation, however, there were no efforts among the bankers to greet the Secretary last evening. It was thought best that he should not be disturbed, as the hour of arrival was so late. Even J. Edward Simmons, president of the Fourth National Bank and a member of the Clearing House Committee, however, was in Jersey City, and when the Presidential party arrived he took Mr. Carlisle's arm and walked with him and Mr. Carlisle to the hotel. Mr. Carlisle entered the carriage seat apart for Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle and went with them to the Hotel Victoria.

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THOUGHT TO HAVE ESCAPED ON A VESSEL.

A MYSTERIOUS SCHOONER ANCHORED OFF THE PRISON ON THE NIGHT THEY BROKE OUT—SOME ALLEGED CLUES.

Sing Sing, N. Y., April 26.—Information was received at the prison tonight which would indicate that Roel and Palfister escaped on a vessel. According to the story an unknown schooner was anchored in the river off the prison from Wednesday morning until Thursday night, when the escape was made. On the following morning the schooner had disappeared. No one seems to know the name of this vessel, and no explanation is given for the schooner being anchored off the prison. It is now thought that the two condemned murderers, after breaking out of the deathhouse, took the small boat which was moored close to the prison and rowed out to the schooner. The detectives at work on the case have tried to trace this schooner, but without success.

James Glynn, one of the guards suspended on account of the escape, said tonight that he had never received orders to visit the deathhouse at any specified time during the night, and that his duty was to keep watch over the whole prison yard. He admitted, however, that at some time during the night he usually visited the deathhouse when he did not have his rounds. On the night of the escape he did not go there because it was raining hard. He did not realize the importance of his visiting the deathhouse until after the escape.

The small boat in which it is supposed that Roel and Palfister escaped belonged to a man named Stray. A museum proprietor in New York offered \$20 for the boat, which was a small rowing boat. The boat was recovered from the shore at Haverstraw, and taken back to Stray's boathouse. When he went there tonight to turn the boat over to the museum agent, he found that it had been stolen.

A letter purporting to be from the two escaped men was received today. It was in the same hand writing as last night's postal card and in the same style. The letter came in the morning mail and read:

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